

"PERSIAN GARDEN" AT MRS. OELRICHS'S.

A Book of Verse, a Book of Songs,
A Jug of Wine, a Load of Bread and Then
Dance Me singing in the Wilderness—
O Wilderness were Paradise now.



And when, like her, O Night, you shall pass
Along the golden star-strewn'd on the grass,
And in your brilliant emerald reach the spot
Where I made One turn down and empty again.

JOHN SWINTON ON ONE PREACHER.

Man Who Says Striking Unionists Ask Him for
Bread, and Tells of "Petty Autocrats,"
Alias Walking Delegates.

I would like to know something about the circumstances under which the Rev. Dr. MacArthur, of this city, has "recently" given money to keep the roofs over the heads and to put bread into the mouths of strikers' families when the strikers themselves were unwillingly engaged in the strike. I would also like to know why the "wretched" strikers yielded to the authority of walking delegates and other petty autocrats against their own inclination and judgment.

It would be interesting to know for sure how many of these striking beggars got bread from him, when they got it, what trade they belonged to and what union they were members of. How did they happen to go to him for bread? Were they very grateful for the bread?

It would be still more interesting to know the names of those "walking delegates and other petty autocrats" who forced these striking beggars to strike against their own inclination and judgment. The "walking delegates" can all be spotted without very much trouble.

LABOR NEWS.

The most important subject of discussion among members of the various steam engineers' unions is the bill which is shortly to be presented to the Legislature for action. This bill, which was drawn up by the Central Association, provides for the licensing by the State of engineers and for the establishment of a State License Bureau. The Metropolitan Council, which was organized in opposition to the other body, is opposed to the measure and says that if it becomes a law it will furnish power for politicians to gain votes. The latter body claims to be the strongest and if numbers count for anything the chances of the bill passing are very slight.

A matter which will receive consideration at the next meeting of the C. E. U. is the proposition of Delegate Livingston, of Brooklyn, to have legal contracts drawn up with proprietors of halls and amusement grounds, making it mandatory for them to employ union labor in the premises.

The question of the hiring of a band by the Jewellers Protective Union, which body will hold their first annual ball at the Grand Central Palace, Feb. 4, is pretty near a settlement, and the demand that two bands would in all probability be met.

The credentials of the Lyric Musicians No. 108 of the Knights of Labor, which were received by the Miscellaneous Section last night, were rejected owing to an old score against the body. The delegates sent from the New York Cutters Union, the Carl Balm Club, the Salesmen's Protective Union and the Ale and Porter Union, were seated.

The Organization Committee of the Miscellaneous Section of the C. E. U., by reason of two of its members being known or suspected by others of being in the city just before the ball, at the meeting last night Delegate Polk, of the "Clean-Makers' Union, and Delegate Samuel, of the Bartenders, were elected to the places. The committee's first duty will be to assist in the reorganization of the Lyric Musicians.

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54 Dozen (648) Ladies' Fine
French Flannel Waists,
Actual Value \$3.50.
Special Sale at
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lined throughout,
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buttons—in all the
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make money.
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course of a year.

It sells for 25c. News-
dealers say they sell more
World Almanacs than any
other 25c. book published.
So that if it may, they certainly do sell a lot of World

The Daily
Story of The
Big Store.

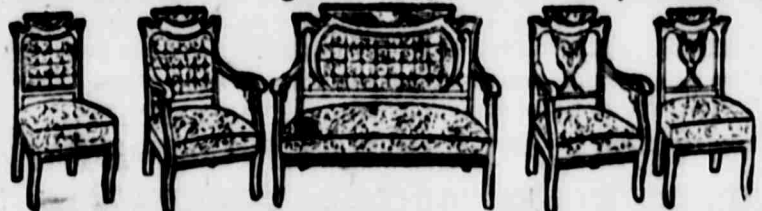
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Meet Me
at the
Fountain.

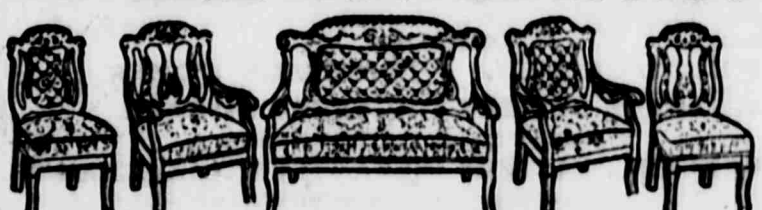
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31, 1900.

The Big Store's Seventh Half Yearly Trade Sale of Furniture Begins To-Morrow, Feb. 1st.

This is not a clearing sale of out-of-date or shop-worn odds and ends, but consists of a brand-new stock of the finest furniture made for the Spring season of the year 1900, covering over 60,000 square feet of floor space, most of which was ordered by us long ago in anticipation of a further advance in the cost of the raw materials and labor used in the construction of these goods; also in order that they would be ready in time for this sale. Buyers will now reap the benefit of our foresight in placing these orders so long ago, as prices on all materials and skilled labor have been going steadily upward for more than a year past, and the end is not yet! Notwithstanding this well-known fact, we will sell this magnificent stock of furniture for less money than goods of a similar quality can be had at the present time in any furniture store in the United States. We can afford to do this for two reasons: First, because we bought liberally and advantageously. Second, because we are content with smaller profits than other dealers. In a general way this is what you may expect to find:



5-piece PARLOR SUIT, of an elegant design, finely finished, carved back, steel tempered springs, covered in Damask or Roman plush; worth \$49.00; in this sale at **29.50**



Excellent 5-piece PARLOR SUIT, inlaid with marquetry, mahogany finish or embroidered Roman plush, spring edge, of first class workmanship; easily and fully worth \$72.00; in this sale at **42.00**



Handsome 5-piece PARLOR SUIT, mahogany polished frame, beautifully inlaid with fine marquetry and pearls, covered with a handsome and extra fine quality of satin damask, and upholstered with best quality steel-tempered springs and hair, all spring edge, fully worth \$115; in this sale at **54.50**



DINING TABLE—Golden oak, heavy rope legs and stretchers; when extended will seat 10 people; has easy working slides and is well constructed and finished; regularly worth \$19.50; in this sale at **7.75**



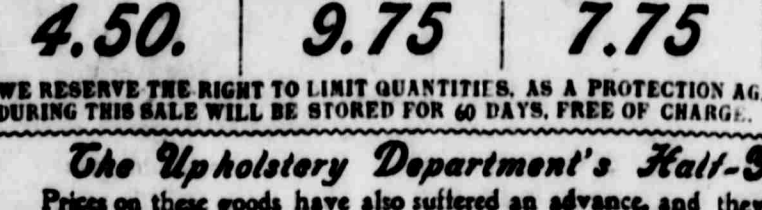
BOOKCASE—Of golden oak, handsomely carved, nearly 72 inches high, 37 inches wide; has double doors with large glass plates, large drawer in bottom; elegantly finished and handsomely designed; worth \$15; in this sale at **8.50**



PIANO STOOL—Mahogany, oak or ebony finish; brass claw feet grasping glass balls; regularly worth \$3.00; in this sale at **1.75**



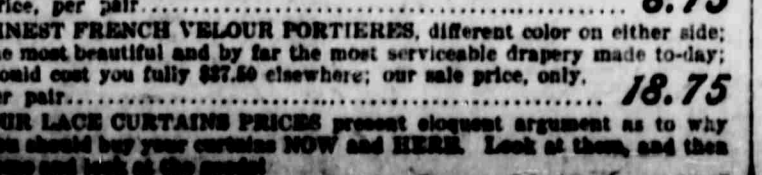
Handsome HIGH-BACK CHAIR, suitable for hall or desk use, of quarter-sawn golden oak or mahogany finish, saddle seat, 11 1/2 inches in a ted leather back, heavy turned legs, well braced, with 4 heavy turned spindles, sells regularly at \$8.00; in this sale at **4.50**



Elegant GOLDEN OAK DRESSER—4 drawers, full swell front, 36x20 in. bevel-plate mirror, and fine brass trimmings; well worth \$16; in this sale at **9.75**



Improved Soft Black HAIR MATTRESS—Full 40 lbs., made in one or two parts, covered in A. C. A. Gold Medal or San Remo ticking; well made and will hold its shape; one of the best values ever offered; fully worth \$18; in this sale at **10.00**



WASHSTAND—golden oak, swell front, piano polish; 3 drawers and cupboard, well made and finished; regularly worth \$6.75; in this sale at **3.90**



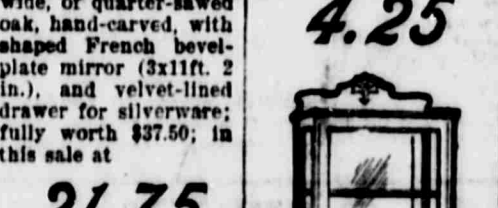
Tufted TURKISH COUCH—Large size, best tempered steel springs, upholstered in moss with hair top, covered with beautiful Windsor and Arlington corduroys and velours, trimmed with cord and tassels on side of head; fully worth \$25; in this sale at **13.75**



MORRIS CHAIR—Very heavy, well-made frame, in golden oak or mahogany finish; adjustable to 4 different positions; reversible cushions, covered in the newest designs of Arlington velour and Wellington corduroy; fully worth \$8; in this sale at **4.25**



SIDEBOARD—golden oak, with nicely carved top, French bevel-plate mirror (18x24 inches), two large and one small drawer, closet in base; well made and finished, sells regularly at \$13.50; in this sale at **8.25**



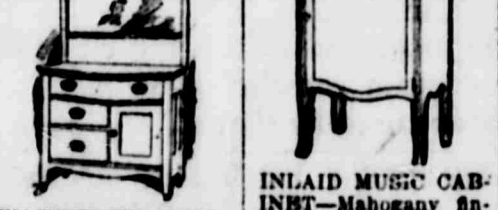
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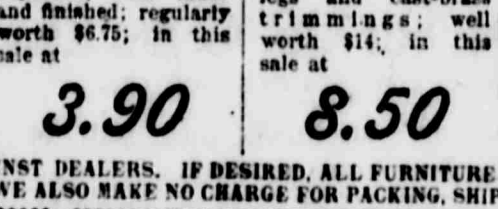
CHINA CLOSET of golden oak, in artistic design, shaped legs, carved top, 5 ft. 3 in. high, 2 ft. 8 in. wide, well made and finished; worth \$15.00; in this sale at **9.75**



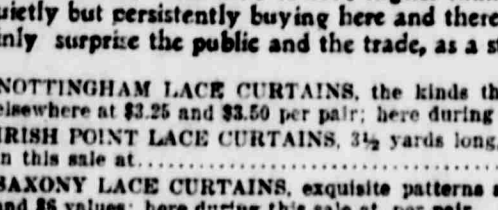
WHITE ENAMEL BEDSTEAD, an assorted lot, about 200 in all, of various designs, some with 11-4, others with 1-inch post, excellently made and finished, worth up to \$11.50 each; in this sale all sizes will be sold at **5.50**



INLAID MUSIC CABINET—Mahogany finish, contains 2 large drawers and 4 compartments, has shaped legs and cast-brass trimmings; well worth \$14; in this sale at **8.50**



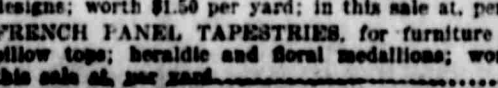
3-piece CHAMBER SUIT—Golden oak, nicely carved, has swell front dresser and washstand, with bowl, plate mirror 24x30 inches in dresser, elegant brass trimmings, well worth \$30; in this sale at **17.50**



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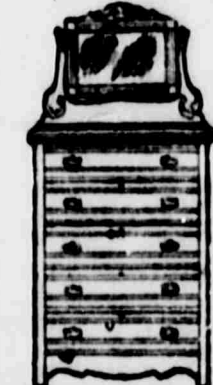
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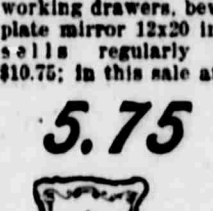
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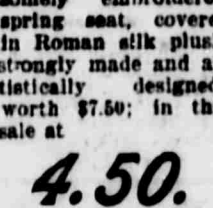
Solid Oak CHIFFONIER—6 ft. high, 36 in. wide, 5 large easy-working drawers, bevel plate mirror 12x20 in.; sells regularly at \$10.75; in this sale at **5.75**



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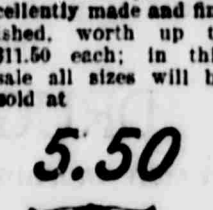
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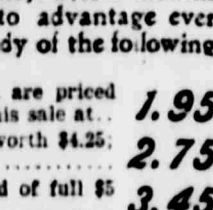
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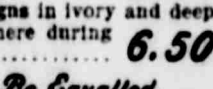
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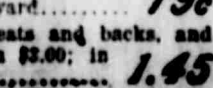
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The Big Store's Ad.—Continued

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held in conjunction with the Furniture, Carpet and Upholstery Sales, also starts to-morrow—"Forewarned is forearmed" is a trustworthy motto, and warned by the gradually increasing prices all over the country we placed large orders long ago with prominent manufacturers here and abroad, and it is well we did so—well for us and for you—because prices have been steadily soaring skyward ever since. BUY NOW AND STOCK UP LIBERALLY is our earnest advice, and if you follow it you won't regret it. Nowhere else can you get these goods at these prices at the present time.

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DINNER SET (100 pieces), of the finest thin German china, artistically decorated in floral designs, in colors and gold traced, imported to sell at \$20.00; in this sale at **10.00**

DINNER SET (115 pieces), of the best English porcelain, worth fully \$18.00; in this sale at **9.50**

TEA SETS (66 pieces), of the finest porcelain, richly decorated, floral designs in natural colors, made to sell at \$5.50; in this sale at **3.75**

TOILET SETS of the best English porcelain, new shapes, large size, 9 pieces, richly decorated, imported to sell at \$5.50; in this sale at **1.95**

TOILET SETS (12 pieces with jar), imported to sell at \$5.00; in this sale at **3.25**

Handsome TABLE LAMPS, nicely decorated, with best central draught burner, made to sell at \$4.50; in this sale at **1.95**

Imported and Domestic LAMP GLOBES, 8 and 9 inch sizes, richly decorated, in a great variety of designs and tints, regularly sold at \$1.50 to \$2.00; your choice while this sale lasts at **50c**

BEER STEINS, white lined, assorted sizes, imported to sell at 25c and 35c; in this sale at **10c**

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BLACKING CABINETS, made of hardwood, highly polished, with carpeted tops; special for to-morrow at **30c**

BUTLER'S TRAYS, oak finish, strongly made, with brass corners; regularly sold at \$1.50; special for this sale at **1.00**

STEP-LADDERS, made of extra heavy stock, very strong and durable, the 6-ft. size, in this sale at **50c**

FOLDING IRONING BOARDS, of hardwood, with smooth finish, full 4 1/2 ft. long; regularly worth \$1.00; in this sale at **60c**

SLEEVE BOARDS, reversible, similar to the Day make; special for this sale at **24c**

HAT AND COAT HOOK RACKS, made of hardwood in oak finish, with 6 hooks; in this sale, very special, at **30c**

KITCHEN TABLE KNIVES AND FORKS, in sets of 12; special for this sale at **50c**

Genuine French SABATIER KNIVES, the 14-inch size, at **50c**

Chinese IRONING WAX, very special at **5c**

TOILET PAPER of the finest tissue; special, per roll **2c**

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is another important event that will be ushered in with to-morrow. Here, too, the savings we offer you are very great—averaging on a conservative basis 25% from prices quoted elsewhere; for the same or similar merchandise.

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7 1/2 feet by 10 1/2 feet, worth \$30 in this sale at **20.00**

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